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SUBJECT: MORE ON KAUNDA - SMITH MEETING

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1. AS LUSAKA IS AWARE, THERE WAS NO AMERICAN MESSAGE
TO KAUNDA URGING THAT HE MEET WITH SMITH. PUBLICATION OF
SUCH AN ALLEGATION SOURCED ULTIMATELY TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA
COULD OBVIOUSLY HAVE A DEVASTATING IMPACT ON US EFFECTIVE-
NESS IN RHODESIA NEGOTIATIONS, EVEN IF IT WERE FORMALLY
AND FLATLY DENIED BY THE USG.

2. AS A FIRST STEP, YOU SHOULD SEEK A MEETING SOONEST WITH PUNTABANTU. TELL HIM WHAT HAS HAPPENED, THAT YOU HAVE CHECKED WITH WASHINGTON, AND THAT YOU HAVE CONFIRMED THAT THERE WAS NO SUCH MESSAGE. STRESSING OUR SERIOUS CONCERN AT THE HARM SUCH A STORY COULD DO, YOU SHOULD ASK HIM TO CONTACT ROSENFELD AND WATSON BEFORE THEY LEAVE ZAMBIA AND PERSONALLY, ON STATE HOUSE AUTHORITY, REFUTE NYALUGWE'S VERSION. YOU SHOULD TELL PUNTABANTU THAT SINCE THE STORY IS UNTRUE, WE WILL HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO DENY IT IF IT IS PUBLISHED.

3. MEANWHILE, YOU SHOULD ALSO ALSO SEEK TO CONTACT ROSENFELD AND WATSON YOURSELF AND TELL THEM THAT AFTER CHECKING WITH WASHINGTON YOU CAN ASSURE THEM ABSOLUTELY THAT NO SUCH AMERICAN MESSAGE WAS SENT TO KAUNDA, NOR DID WE IN ANY WAY CONVEY SUCH A RECOMMENDATION. YOU SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THE EXTREMELY UNFORTUNATE REPERCUSSIONS SUCH A STORY WOULD HAVE, EVEN IF IT INCLUDED A US DENIAL, ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR EFFORTS IN THE PRESENT NEGOTIATIONS. VANCE

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